

August 27, 1965

Dr. Antonio Maceo
P.O. Box 1303
Miami, Florida 33101

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Re: (Paul Hernandez
18 N.W. 17th Place)
Miami, Florida

Dear Dr. Maceo:

Attached please find a copy of previous monthly comments by the instructor at Lindsey Hopkins School regarding the above captioned individual's drafting progress including a letter dated 12/10/64 by Marie N. McBride, instructor and a letter of recent date from his instructor.

Unfortunately, this individual due to his illness and operation has been making extremely little progress during an extended period. He has now completed his basic drafting course and, if he moves at all, would go into machine design and a projection based on the time which he spent in learning the basic design would indicate that he would not complete mechanical drafting before 1969 as he is progressing about 25% of the normal. Also there is real concern as to whether he would ever master the subject even by 1969, therefore, I think that we have gone as far as we can go with this individual and given him every opportunity, but I feel that we can say at this point that he cannot be rehabilitated and is not trainable. Particular attention is invited to the last letter from Mr. Ashley. This counselor has been keeping him in the course for many months when under normal circumstances, he would have been dropped from the course already. I am no longer able to induce the Lindsey Hopkins School to continue treating him as a special case, something that they would not do for others. Therefore, it is necessary to drop him from our rehabilitation program.

Sincerely yours,

Gordon D. Smith, Counselor
Vocational Rehabilitation

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cc: Maria Evans

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Mr. Gordon D. Smith
Vocational Rehabilitation
State of Florida
Department of Education
1350 N. W. 12th Avenue, Room 118
Miami, Florida 33136

Dear Mr. Smith:

Mr. Fitch's progress report of August 2, 1965 for CRC student, Raul A. Hernandez is quoted below:

"Definitely not employable at this time. At present retarded rate of progress should complete Machine Drafting #131-3, approximately end of third semester, August 1969. Basic Course #131-1 should be completed by end of third semester August 6, 1965 - did not complete. Time consumed to complete this 240 hour course, 842 hours. Extremely impeded progress due to poor English comprehension and medically induced slowness (Epileptic) repeatedly noted on monthly Rehab reports.

Upon completion of the course, he would be unemployable because it takes him four times longer than the normal person to complete his work."

On the basis of this information, termination or lateral transfer is recommended.

Very truly yours,

E.-M. Ashley, Supervisor
Registration and Statistics

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